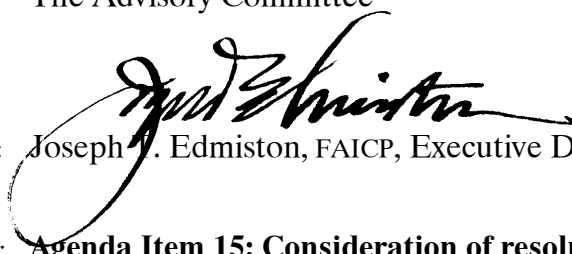


# Memorandum

To : The Conservancy  
The Advisory Committee

Date: January 23, 2006

From :  Joseph J. Edmiston, FAICP, Executive Director

Subject: **Agenda Item 15: Consideration of resolution authorizing a grant of Proposition 40 funds to the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority for improvements to Franklin Canyon Park.**

Staff Recommendation: That the Conservancy adopt the attached resolution authorizing a grant of Proposition 40 funds in the amount of \$200,000 to the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority for improvements to Franklin Canyon Park.

Legislative Authority: Section 33204(c) of Public Resources Code.

Background: The MRCA has submitted a grant application for Proposition 40 funds for improvements to the capital assets of Franklin Canyon Park. The MRCA is proposing minor renovations to the Sooky Goldman Nature Center Courtyard, the Sam Goldman Amphitheater, the Doheny Ranch Picnic Area, Upper Picnic Area, Heavenly Pond Picnic Area, and restrooms and fencing throughout the park. More comprehensive capital improvements are proposed for the Eugene and Michael Rosenfeld Auditorium.

A start date of January 30, 2006 was requested. The grant application is attached for reference and includes a preliminary cost estimate. Detailed cost estimates will be procured from contractors as the improvements are implemented.

All of the subject activities would be consistent with Article 5, Land, Air, and Water Conservation, Section 5096.650(b) of Proposition 40, the California Clean Water, Clean Air, Safe Neighborhood Parks, and Coastal Protection Act of 2002 and in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act.